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Youth Advisory Council

MINUTES

Talley Rec | 121 N. Bentz St.

10/22/2019

6:00PM – 7:00PM

Attended:

Voting: Jude Abijah, Neha Mathur, Willow Stewart, Aidan Carney, Samuel Boison, Sydney Robinson, Aiden Carney, Cade Culbertson, Lucy Adkins, Jack Surdez

Non-Voting: Krisma Jackson, Ryan Murphy, Leila Ghaffari (replacing Nadia Monnier)

City Staff/Interns: Sean Poulin

Guests: Jenny Willoughby

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: S. Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Minutes

- 8/27/2019 Minutes were approved.

Speaker - Jenny Willoughby

- In charge of eight sectors regarding sustainability within the City of Frederick
- Urban Heat Island Study is in progress in collaboration with Hood College
- Climate Action: in conjunction with DC Metro cities
 - MOU expected to be signed; 18-month plan
- Energy Audits: history of buildings conflict with high level emissions, locations for placing solar panels, etc.
- Food Security Network: >1,500 lbs of food donated to over 400 families in 2018
- Potomac Edison sponsorship: EV stations in Frederick
- Solar on parking decks
- Sustainability page of COF website has additional resources
- Social media: spread word of events
 - Watershed cleanups, etc.

Youth Participation

- Teen Programming
 - Rec Advisor with Parks and Rec is getting into E-Gaming
 - Spring Creek event: Alive @ 5 for kids

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- Food Trucks
- Blankets to read/listen to music
- Music
- Cornhole
- Voter Participation - A. Carney
 - Working on infographics
 - Various YAC members will work on them
 - Voter Registration link to be sent out (vote.org)
 - Interested in inviting candidates to town halls.

Jobs/Internships

- J. Surdez confirmed that 4 businesses, including Pretzel Pizza, are willing to provide student discounts after a conversation.
- Pretzel Pizza is considering a "happy hour" for high school students.
- The program is anticipated to expand with the success of other businesses' student discounts.
- Window decals may be put on sponsoring restaurants.
- Walkersville, Urbana, Frederick, GTJHS, Tuscarora
- Potential for expansion to other Frederick County schools
- ID Discount confirmed unanimously.

Diversity Outreach

- No further updates.

Term Dates

- To be switched from November to August to accommodate for graduating high school seniors.

Comprehensive Plan 2020

- S. Poulin will write up plan for priorities of YAC.

November Meeting

- Frederick County Office of Children and Family is seeking the opinions of children and parents regarding the livelihood and condition of Frederick County for youth
- Community meetings to take place in workshops
- Teens meeting set for about Feb. 14
- Nov. Meeting will have food; trends to be discussed

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- S. Poulin will facilitate meeting; food; possibly in the Talley Center gymnasium
- Members of the community are invited to join the meeting.

Diversity Festival

- S. Boison: festival is a work in progress.

Meeting Adjourned on a motion by N. Mathur, seconded by J. Abijah; the motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 7:09 p.m.

Next Meeting: November 19th from 6:00pm